

# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Chief Administrative Officer

At its meeting held March 7, 2006, the Board took the following action:

### 74-A

The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisor Burke and Knabe:

"The After School Enrichment Program (ASEP) serves over 10,000 low-income children at 170 schools throughout the County of Los Angeles. Through an innovative partnership between the Department of Public Social Services, the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the Los Angeles Unified School District, these children, who are all receiving CalWORKs, food stamps, and/or Medi-Cal, receive an enriched educational experience under the supervision of experienced educators. Unfortunately, absent action by the State Legislature, after 7 years of implementation the funding for ASEP will be exhausted on June 30, 2006. Therefore, it is imperative that the State allocate State/Federal after-school program funding to sustain this highly successful program.

"In light of the educational experience that elementary school children receive from ASEP and the valuable resource that this program represents for working adults striving toward self-sufficiency, it is imperative that we explore every available option to enable its continuation."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

 Instructed the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to establish an After School Enrichment Program Taskforce (Taskforce) comprised of the CAO, Director of Public Social Services and the Superintendent of Schools, working in concert with the Los Angeles Unified School District, to jointly develop a legislative strategy for the continuation of the After School Enrichment Program (ASEP), including pursuit of any feasible State/Federal funding sources;

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- Instructed the Acting Executive Officer to send letters signed by the Board to the Speaker of the Assembly Fabian Nuñez, and the Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation urging their support for State/Federal after-school program funding to continue full implementation of the After School Enrichment Program; and
- 3. Instructed the After School Enrichment Program Taskforce, with oversight by the Chief Administrative Officer, to report its findings and recommendations to the Board within 45 days.

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Each Supervisor
County Counsel
Director of Public Social Services
Superintendent of Schools

#### Letters sent to:

Speaker of the Assembly Fabian Nuñez
Each Member, Los Angeles County Legislative Delegation